

PLATEN ASSEMBLY FOR THERMAL PRINTER

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is disclosed a thermal print head platen which includes a pair of support members separated by a gap wherein the support members are adapted to be oriented to press media against a thermal print head for printing purposes with the gap approximately aligned with a heating element located within the print head. There are also described a thermal printer which includes at least one thermal print head in conjunction with a thermal print head platen to pressure print media against the thermal print head for printing purposes and a thermal printing method utilizing such a thermal printer.